

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the title with the following new title:

-- An Imaging Apparatus Having a Lens Device for a Zooming Control Operation and the Method of Using the Same --

Please replace the second full paragraph beginning at page 2, line 11 with the following amended paragraph:

--Reference numeral 112 designates a stepping motor for moving the compensator lens group 104; 113 a rotation shaft that is directly connected to a stepping motor 112 and has a screw; 109 114 a rack that is movably mounted on the rotation shaft 113 and provided with the compensator lens group 104. Reference numeral 111 denotes a driver for driving the stepping motor 112. Reference numeral 115 designates a microcomputer (hereunder sometimes referred to as a lens microcomputer) that communicates with a microcomputer 208 of the camera body unit 200 and controls each of the drivers 105 and 111 and receives position detection information from the zoom encoder 110.--

Please replace the last paragraph beginning at page 7, line 16 through page 8, line 4 with the following amended paragraph:

--Next, processing to be performed in the camera microcomputer 208 will be described with reference to a flowchart of FIG. 7. In step 401, the processing is started. Then, predetermined initialization is performed in step 401 402. Subsequently, in step 403, the camera microcomputer 208 waits for a vertical synchronization signal Vd. When the vertical synchronization signal Vd is inputted to the camera microcomputer 208, control proceeds to step 404 whereupon the camera microcomputer 208 makes predetermined communication with the lens microcomputer 115. Thereafter, the camera microcomputer 208 performs AF operation and

an automatic exposure (AE) operation in step 405. Then, the camera microcomputer 208 performs electronic and optical zooming in step 406. Subsequently, control returns to step 403.--

Please replace the first full paragraph beginning at page 9, line 11, with the following amended paragraph:

--Next, the step 406 will be described in detail with reference to a flowchart of FIG. 9. As shown in FIG. 9, an operation is started in step 601. Then, in step 602, the camera microcomputer 208 checks whether the camera is performing zooming. When both the zoom switches 210 and 211 are pushed, or when neither of the zoom switches 210 and 211 is pushed, control proceeds to step 607. When only one of the zoom switches 210 and 211 is pushed, control proceeds to step 603 whereupon it is checked which of the zoom switches 210 and 211 is pushed. If the "TELE" switch 210 is pushed, control advances to step 604. If the "WIDE" switch 211 is pushed, control proceeds to step 603 608.—

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 34, line 25 through page 35, line 18, with the following amended paragraph:

-- Step 406 of a process flow of the camera microcomputer 208 will be described in detail with reference to a flowchart of FIG. 2. In step 901, the processing is started. Then, in step 902, the camera microcomputer 208 checks the lens-side zoom key information sent from the lens microcomputer 115. If the zoom ring 116 is not operated, control advances to step 904 903. Otherwise, control proceeds to step 904 whereupon the camera microcomputer 208 further checks the lens-side zoom key information sent from the lens microcomputer 115. If the zoom ring 116 is operated in a direction corresponding to the tele side, control advances to step 906. If the zoom ring 116 is operated in a direction corresponding to the wide side, control proceeds to step 908. On the other hand, in step 905, the camera microcomputer 208 checks which of the

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switches 210 and 211 is pushed in the camera body unit 100. If the "TELE" switch 210 is pushed, control advances to step 906. Conversely, if the "WIDE" switch 211 is pushed, control proceeds to step 908. --